



OFFICE OF THE VICE PRESIDENT  
WASHINGTON

June 19, 1957

The Honorable Allen W. Dulles  
Director, Central Intelligence Agency  
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Mr. Dulles:

I am enclosing correspondence which has passed between Dr. Roman Smal-Stocki, Director of the Slavic Institute at Marquette University, and the Vice President.

As the letter from Dr. Smal-Stocki dated May 14 indicates, this proposal is submitted at the suggestion of former Congressman Charles Kersten. Mr. Kersten discussed this project with the Vice President some time ago and the latter suggested that some definite program should be put on paper and this has now been done.

There is envisioned here a study center which would have for its purpose the training of cadres of various nationalities both from the Iron Curtain countries and the so-called un-committed areas who, when they went back to their home lands, would be far better equipped to combat Communism within their own country. A more subtle approach has been suggested in that the announced purpose of this study project might be stated as an effort to determine what we do from an economic standpoint when the Communist government of Russia and its satellites fall. It was pointed out that certain questions of great economic significance would arise and we might stress the inevitability of such an occurrence by the mere fact of the establishment of such long-range planning.

Admittedly, there may be unanswered questions which will be raised by the proposal here, but the Vice President asked me to send it to you as he felt that the general idea has merit and should be fully explored. I know he would appreciate it if you could let him know your reaction.

Sincerely,

Robert L. King

Assistant to the Vice President

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**MARQUETTE UNIVERSITY**  
**MILWAUKEE 3, WISCONSIN**

May 14, 1957

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The Honorable Richard M. Nixon  
Vice-President of the United States  
Washington, D. C.

Sir:

The Slavic Institute of Marquette University submits the enclosed plan for two projects dealing with Americas active resistance to Communism at the suggestion of former Congressman Charles J. Kersten.

The first project consists of gathering and publishing research on Slavic subjects which have not been published in the United States to date. They deal with the history of the churches in the Slavic nations, the Slavic political emigration to the free world between 1920 and the present, and the history of contributions of the Slavic nations to the culture of the United States.

This will prove to the nations behind the Iron Curtain that America has its roots in the Slavic world, through its 15 million citizens of Slavic origin, and that there is a cultural and blood tie with the Slavic nations currently behind the Iron Curtain. The estimated cost of this project, exclusive of the cost of legal services and the cost of administering the grant of Marquette University is \$570, 100, project for a three-year period.

The second project aims to establish a center and program to train cadres in the objective studies of Communism by various nationals who will go back to their countries or exile to fight for resistance to the colonization of minds of their countrymen by the ingenious agents of Moscow. The cost of this type of program cannot be estimated at this time since its scope and range must be determined by the various agencies of the United States Government.

A detailed description of the projects is appended hereto.

Please accept, Mr. Vice-President, the expression of our respect and thanks for the consideration given the above projects.

Respectfully yours,

*Roman Smal-Stocki*

Roman Smal-Stocki  
Director

*Kersten  
Approved*

The Slavic Institute of Marquette University, instituted by action of the President of Marquette University, and responsible to the Academic Vice President, has been active since March 9, 1949.

In addition to various lectures given by its members, the Institute sponsored a conference on "The Church Behind the Iron Curtain", in May, 1956, as part of the 75th anniversary of the founding of Marquette University.

The Institute publishes THE MARQUETTE SLAVIC STUDIES, and has two volumes in circulation:

Volume I : The Doctrine of Anarchism of Michael Bakunin,  
by Dr. Eugene Pyziur (1955).

Volume II : Hitler's Occupation of Ukraine.  
(A Study of Totalitarian Imperialism) by Ihor Kamenetsky  
[1956].

Two other volumes will be printed in the fall of 1957:

Volume III: A History of the Slavic Studies in the United States  
by Clarence Manning of Columbia University.

Volume IV: Ukraine and Russia, 1654 - 1917. by Konstantyn  
Kononenko.

Its present plans are twofold:

1. To conduct research and publication projects to strengthen the oppositional spirit of scholars, professors and students among all Slavic nations behind the Iron Curtain (Poland, Czechoslovakia, Yugoslavia, and Bulgaria) and in the Soviet Union (Russia, Byelo-Russia and Ukraine), demonstrating to them America's interest and moral support in their fight for academic freedom against Communist dictatorship.

The projects bear particularly on three fields which have been neglected in Slavic area studies in the United States:

- a. The History of the Churches (Catholic, Orthodox, Protestant and Hebrew).
- b. The History of Slavic political emigration in the free world since 1920 (Russians, Ukrainians, Byelo-Russians) respectively, and since 1945-6, (Russians, Ukrainians, Byelo-Ruthenians, Poles, Czechs, Slovaks, Slovenes, Croats, Serbs, Macedonians and Bulgarians), the history of their political trends and ideology, and the history of their literatures created in the free world.
- c. The history of the contributions of all Slavic nations and their cultural heritages to American culture and civilization. The purpose will be to present the greatness of the United States, to make all Slavic nations behind the Iron Curtain proud of the fact that America, the present leader of the free world, also has its roots in the Slavic area.

Slavic origin, and that America is well aware of this fact, and appreciates this contribution by not discriminating against Americans of Slavic extraction as Soviet propaganda claims.

Manuscripts for the proposed books would be solicited from scholars in those fields who are currently located in the United States, or anywhere in the world.

2. To help the United States and the world-at-large by training cadres in an objective expose of Communist philosophy and its practical application which will eventually help in establishing a bulwark against it. Students and scholars from countries behind the Iron Curtain as well as those from the "uncommitted" areas of the world must be taught the truth about the Communistic ideology so they may be "armed" with this "weapon of truth" for a "first line" battle against it on their home ground.

This project would delve into an area which has not been fully exploited in the United States, and would:

- a. Bring to the United States, and to Marquette University, students and scholars from the uncommitted areas of the world, and scholars from the Iron Curtain countries now in exile.
- b. Train them in the basic fundamentals of the Communist philosophy, the practical applications of it as shown concretely in the history of our times, and the subtle innuendos and overtures which that philosophy promotes in striving to win the battle for men's minds and eventually, their countries.
- c. Explain the objectives of "Panslavism" and its implications.
- d. Return these students and scholars to their homelands or to such areas of the world as necessary for them to serve their countries' aspirations by protecting them against clever means the Communists employ to woo them into their orbit.

It is advanced because there is a need for this type of training program at the present time. The secret of Soviet expansion has been and is based on training of cadres who are always in readiness to take control or help install regimes when the ideal time and circumstances permit.

The Fulbright program is limited and does not train cadres for this ideological battle.

Exact details concerning the screening of candidates for this program, granting of visas, transportation to the United States and Marquette University, travel, housing and food allowances, tuition, and return transportation will be worked out when the definite scope and range of the program is established. This would depend on the size of the grant, and definition of its immediate objectives by the governmental agency making the grant.

Final Aims

Publication Project.

The final aim of the publication project is to publish the research on the subjects outlined in Appendix 1, 2, and 3, in the series of MARQUETTE SLAVIC STUDIES, to create lasting scholarly American-Slavic traditions which will strengthen the sympathies of all Slavic nations for the United States at the present and in the future, and after the fall of Communism, as a basis for the friendship of all Slavic nations toward America for political and cultural cooperation.

Cadre Project.

The final aim of the cadre project is to help the United States attain leadership in building an informed, intelligent, and influential resistance to Communism in the uncommitted areas of the world, by training students and scholars who are citizens of those countries in an objective understanding of the errors of Communist philosophy and application of that ideology which aims to enslave their nations. Cadres for countries behind the Iron Curtain will be of help in exile as they inform their countrymen of the nature of their enemy and the truth which underlies the falsehoods of Communism and all it represents. They can help the free world in the battle for the minds of people behind the Iron Curtain.

Father Dempsey called & suggest purpose of such project he stated as determining what we do when the Communist govt. of Russia and its satellites fall - stress inevitability - good propaganda service.

APPENDIX 1.

Twenty eight (28) books dealing with the following topics in the field of R E L I G I O N:

1. History of the Orthodox Church in Muscovy-Russia (to 1917).
2. History of the Moscow Patriarchate in the Soviet Union (1920 - 1957).
3. History of the Orthodox Church in Byelo-Ruthenia.
4. History of the Jews in Poland, Byelo-Ruthenia, and Ukraine.
5. History of the Orthodox Church in Ukraine.
6. History of the Catholic Church in Ukraine.
7. History of the Catholic Church in Poland.
8. History of Protestantism in Poland.
9. History of the Catholic Church in Bohemia.
10. History of the Hussites in Bohemia.
11. History of the Catholic Church in Slovakia.
12. History of the Catholic Church in Slovenia.
13. History of the Catholic Church in Croatia.
14. History of the Orthodox Church in Serbia.
15. History of the Orthodox Church in Bulgaria.
16. History of the Russian Orthodox Church in the U. S. A. (including Alaska).
17. History of the Ukrainian Catholic Church in the U. S. A. and Canada (Byzantine-Slavic Rite).
18. History of the Ukrainian Orthodox Church in the U. S. A. and Canada.
19. History of American Catholics of Slavic Origin in the U. S. A. (Poles, Czechs, Slovaks, Slovenians, and Croatians).
20. The Slavic Apostles: Cyril and Methodius.
21. Bishop Baraga in the United States.
22. Archbishop Strossmayer of Croatia.
23. Metropolitan Shepticky.
24. Cardinal Sapieha.
25. Archbishop John Cieplak.
26. Cardinal Wyszynski.
27. Nickolas Berdyaev.
28. Vladimir Solovyev.

APPENDIX 2.

**Twenty (20) books on the history of the emigration from the Soviet Union since 1920 as a fight against the Communist dictatorship.**

1. History of the Russian political emigration since 1920.
2. History of the Ukrainian political emigration since 1920.
3. History of the Byelo-Ruthenian political emigration since 1920.
4. History of the Polish political emigration since 1939.
5. History of the Czech and Slovak political emigrations since 1939.
6. History of the Croatian political emigration since 1945.
7. History of the Slovenian political emigration since 1945.
8. History of the Serbian-Yugoslavian emigration since 1945.
9. History of the Bulgarian political emigration since 1945.
10. History of Russian literature in exile (since 1920).
11. History of Ukrainian literature in exile (since 1920).
12. History of Polish literature in exile (since 1939).
13. History of Slovak literature in exile (since 1939).
14. History of Croatian literature in exile (since 1945).
15. History of Byelo-Ruthenian literature in exile (since 1920).
16. History of the Russian press in the U. S. A. and Canada.
17. History of the Ukrainian press in the U. S. A. and Canada.
18. History of the Polish press in the U. S. A. and Canada.
19. History of the Czech and Slovak press in the U. S. A. and Canada.
20. Political emigrations and their role in history.

APPENDIX 3.

Seven (7) books on the Slavic contributions to America in the liberal arts and sciences, literature, theater, political life, motion pictures, etc.,

1. The contributions of the Russians to America.
2. The contributions of the Poles to America.
3. The contributions of the Ukrainians to America.
4. The contributions of the Czechs and Slovaks to America.
5. The contributions of the Southern Slavs to America.
6. AMERICA, the refuge of free Slavic thought and life.
7. AMERICA and the Slavic world.

APPENDIX 4

**Financial Estimates of Expenses in Publication Project.**

1. Publication of 55 volumes (Appendix 1, 2, 3), 250-300 pages each, including costs of typing, editing, translating, author's honorarium at \$7000 per volume  
\$ 385,000.00
2. Expenses for the Editorial Board:  
(includes release from teaching load, half-time, and ordinary and extraordinary expenses incurred in planning and arranging for the research, reading of manuscripts)  
Director of the Institute \$7,000.00 per year  
Secretary of the Institute 5,000.00 per year
3. Salary of two typists (of Slavic background, or with knowledge of Slavic languages) at \$300 per month  
7,200.00 per year
4. Three research assistants at annual salary of \$7,000 each  
21,000.00 per year
5. Conferences (including travel expense of participants)  
7,000.00 per year
6. Stationery, mail, telephones, etc.  
3,000.00 per year
7. Housing (office space, 7-8 rooms)  
9,000.00 per year
- Total per annum \$ 59,200.00 59,200.00

**OTHER EXPENSES**

8. Purchase of four typewriters with additional Slavic accent marks) and mimeograph  
\$1,500.00
9. Furniture, desks, etc 6,000.00 7,500.00
- Expenses which cannot be estimated at this time:
10. Legal services.
11. Administration of grant by the Bursar of Marquette University (estimated as 8 - 10 per cent of grant).

APPENDIX 4 Summarized.

If the publication project will take three years to complete the estimated expenses would be as follows:

Publication of 55 volumes (Appendix 1, 2, 3)	\$ 385,000.00
Operating expenses for 3 years at \$59,200 per yr.	177,600.00
Equipment and furniture	<u>7,500.00</u>
Total, not including expenses for legal services and charge for administration of the grant by Marquette University.	\$ 570,100.00

APPENDIX 5

Expenses for "Training of Cadres" cannot be estimated at this time, since the scope and range of the program would depend on the size of the grant and the Government's plans.